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Thank you for taking the time to review this draft of the new Oklahoma Academic Standards for Mathematics. Your participation in this review process adds to the expert educator input that is essential to the development of quality standards for Oklahoma students.

Recommendations which were made to the writing teams beginning with changes to the PASS standards and changes for the first and second drafts of the standards included 2,500 reviews by diverse stakeholders. External reviews have also been sought from educational institutions such as the South Central Comprehensive Center, the Partnership for 21st Century Learning, and the Southern Regional Education Board. We are now seeking the careful consideration and review from teams of teachers at schools sites and districts from across the state. **Your input is critical to the final revisions of these standards.**

Because your input is critical, this is a working document and we are seeking continuous improvement throughout the process. As critical input is received we may update the standards to reflect the feedback that we are receiving. We appreciate the many hours that have been applied to the process to date and look forward to the important comments still to come to make the standards the best they can be.

To support the facilitation of local educator review teams, the Oklahoma State Department of Education has developed a Standards Review Toolkit, including the following items:

- o This welcome letter;
- o An overview of the guiding principles and math actions and processes;
- A content-unique Feedback Form designed for careful inspection of the standards to facilitate feedback from teams of educators, parents, business, and other community stakeholders;
- The math standards;
- o A Power Point to help inform teachers and stakeholders of the process and timeline leading up to the new standards, including a brief history of the relevant legislation; and
- o Contact information for the math standards writing team.

When submitting your Feedback Form, please note that you need to have Adobe/Acrobat Pro in order to save the form before returning it. Feedback Forms should be emailed **no later than 5:00 p.m. on October 16, 2015** to standards_comments@sde.ok.gov.

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